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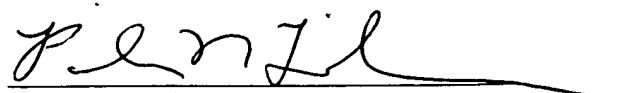
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Dear Sir:

1. I am one skilled in the art of cancer diagnostics. I have a Ph.D. in Molecular Biology from Columbia University as well as an M.A. and a M. Phil. in Molecular Biology also from Columbia University. I further have a B.A. in Biology from Dartmouth College.
2. I was a Postdoctoral Fellow in the Laboratory of Dr. Clay Siegall at the Pharmaceutical Research Institute Bristol-Myers Squibb and an Assistant Pharmacologist, Dept. of Clinical Immunology & Biol. Therapy at the MD Anderson Cancer Center.
3. I have nine years of research and development experience in the cancer diagnostic industry. Much of my work has involved the discovery and validation of novel cancer markers to improve the accuracy of diagnosing the onset of cancer. In fact, I am a named inventor of several U.S. Patents, all of which are related to the field of cancer diagnostics.
4. I also have authored numerous journal articles relating to cancer pathology, detection, and metastasis (see Attachment I).

5. I am one of the named inventors of the aforementioned application.
6. I have read and am familiar with the Patent Office Action dated August 28, 2001 and utility rejection under 35 U.S.C. 101 applied against the present application.
7. At my direction, Dr. Tim Stenzel in the Department of Pathology at Duke University in Chapel Hill, North Carolina, conducted an RT-PCR assay on lymph node tissue from either breast cancer patients or non-breast cancer patients. RNA was isolated from the lymph node tissues using the Qiagen RNeasy kit and then subjected to quantitative RT-PCR using primers specific for the BS106 gene. The BS106 product was quantitated by comparing the values to a standard curve of SKBR3 (breast cancer cell line) RNA. The purpose of this experiment was to show that the BS106 gene is expressed in breast cancer cells that have escaped the primary tumor. The RT-PCR assay, like the one described here, is useful in distinguishing lymph nodes that contain cancer cells from those that do not. Dr Tim Stenzel's lab at Duke is a leading laboratory that searches for new molecular tests that can help doctors more accurately stage breast cancer patients and therefore provide their patients with the best possible care.
8. The results of the BS106 RT-PCR assay are shown in Attachments A and B. Attachment A shows the quantitative RT-PCR results for the nodes from breast cancer patients. All of the values for the 9 samples are positive indicating that there are breast cells present. Some nodes have more cells than others, resulting in the higher values. Attachment B shows the results for the non-breast cancer nodes and one can see that all these values are zero except for one very low positive sample (ABNLLN 19). Below each table is a summary of the data. These results indicate that BS106 is detected in 9/9 cancer nodes and 1/20 normal nodes. This is a sensitivity of 100% and a specificity of 95% for the detection of metastatic cells in the lymph nodes.
9. The results in Paragraph 8 confirm that BS106 can be used as a marker for the detection of breast cells in the lymph nodes that have escaped the primary tumor.
10. I hereby declare that all statements made herein are of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that the statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under § 1001 of Title 18 of the United States code and such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.


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Attachment A

Lymph nodes from breast cancer patients		SKBR3 Ng equivalents					Ratio of Marker/ Beta 2 Micro			
Samples		Du101	DS106	Mamma	Cyto	Deta2	Du101/Deta2	DS106/Deta2	Mamm/Deta2	Cyto/Det
ABNLLN21	LN CA	260.0000	310.0000	110.0000	45.0000	100.0000	2.6000	1.3100	1.1000	0.4500
ABNLLN22	LN CA	8.3000	1000.0000	0.3490	32.0000	82.0000	0.1012	12.1951	0.0006	0.3902
ABNLLN23	LN CA	8.9000	5900.0000	1.5000	32.0000	87.0000	0.1023	67.3161	0.0072	0.3678
ABNLLN28	LN CA	1.3000	30.0000	0.0000	53.0000	74.0000	0.0176	0.0000	0.0002	0.7162
ABNLLN29	LN CA	1.1000	4700.0000	0.0270	13.0000	130.0000	0.0085	36.1538	0.0002	0.1000
ABNLLN30	LN CA	14.0000	3.0000	0.3900	16.0000	35.0000	0.4000	0.0357	0.0111	0.4571
ABNLLN31	LN CA	20.0000	29.0000	39.0000	85.0000	0.3100	64.5161	93.5484	125.8065	274.1951
ABNLLN34	LN CA	8.9000	98.0000	3.1000	9.3000	6.3000	1.0352	15.5556	0.4921	1.4762
ABNLLN44	LN CA	0.0000	2.5000	0.5200	7.4000	90.0000	0.0000	0.0278	0.0069	0.0022

LN CA = lymph nodes with histological cancer

Number of Positive Samples	(9/9)	(9/9)	(9/9)	(9/9)	(9/9)
% Positive Samples	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Attachment B

Lymph nodes from non-cancer patients	SKBR3 Ng equivalents					Ratio of Marker/ Beta 2 Micro			
	Du101	DS106	Mamma	Cyto	Deta2	Du101/Deta2	DS106/Deta2	Mamm/Deta2	Cyto/Deta2
Samples									
ABNLLN 2	L.UUUU	U.UUUU	U.JUUU	U.UU11	86.UUUU	J.UJUL	U.UJUUL	U.JUUU	1.2/91E-
ABNLLN 3	C.0000	0.0000	0.30C0	0.0013	83.000C	J.DJ0C	0.0J000	0.3000	1.5663E-
ABNLLN 4	C.0000	0.0000	0.30C0	0.00C0	12.000C	J.DJ0C	0.0J000	0.3000	0.30CC
ABNLLN 5	C.0000	0.0000	0.30C0	0.00C0	6.1000	J.DJ0C	0.0J000	0.3000	0.30CC
ABNLLN 6	C.0000	0.0000	0.30C0	0.00C0	16.000C	J.DJ0C	0.0J000	0.3000	0.30CC
ABNLLN 8	C.0000	0.0000	0.30C0	0.00C0	51.000C	J.DJ0C	0.0J000	0.3000	0.30CC
ABNLLN 9	C.0000	0.0000	0.30C0	0.00C0	26.000C	J.DJ0C	0.0J000	0.3000	0.30CC
ABNLLN 10	C.0000	0.0000	0.30C0	0.00C0	69.000C	J.DJ0C	0.0J000	0.3000	0.30CC
ABNLLN 11	C.0000	0.0000	0.30C0	0.00C0	06.000C	J.DJ0C	0.0J000	0.3000	0.30CC
ABNLLN 12	C.0000	0.0000	0.30C0	0.00C0	13.000C	J.DJ0C	0.0J000	0.3000	0.30CC
ABNLLN 13	L.UUUU	U.UUUU	U.JUUU	U.UUUU	6.4UUU	J.UJUL	U.UJUUL	U.JUUU	U.JULL
ABNLLN 14	C.0000	0.0000	0.30C0	0.00C0	71.000C	J.DJ0C	0.0J000	0.3000	0.30CC
ABNLLN 15	C.0000	0.0000	0.30C0	0.00C0	12C.0000	J.DJ0C	0.0J000	0.3000	0.30CC
ABNLLN 16	I.IIIIII	IIIIIII	II.IIIII	II.IIIII	26.IIIIII	III.III	IIII.IIIII	II.IIIII	II.IIIII
ABNLLN 17	C.0000	0.0000	0.30C0	0.00C0	21.000C	J.DJ0C	0.0J000	0.3000	0.30CC
ABNLLN 18	C.0000	0.0000	0.30C0	0.00C0	47.000C	J.DJ0C	0.0J000	0.3000	0.30CC
ABNLLN 19	C.0000	0.0720	0.30C0	0.0011	13C.0000	J.DJ0C	0.0J055	0.3000	8.4615E-
ABNLLN 48	C.0000	0.0000	0.30C0	0.00C0	5.5000	J.DJ0C	C.0C0J	0.3000	0.30CC
ABNLLN 49	C.0000	0.0000	0.30C0	0.00C0	30.000C	J.DJ0C	C.0C0J	0.3000	0.30CC
ABNLLN 50	C.0000	0.0000	0.30C0	0.00C0	11.000C	J.DJ0C	C.0C0J	0.3000	0.30CC
Number of Positive Samples	(0/20)	(1/20)	(0/20)	(3/20)	(20/20)				
% Positive Samples	0%	5%	0%	15%	100%				

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